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FOR NEWSOM FROM HOLBROOKE

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: SHUM, RP

SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS: CASE OF BENIGNO AQUINO

REF: MANILA 17635

1. I THINK WE ARE IN AGREEMENT ON AQUINO CASE AND I FULLY
AGREE THAT SITUATION SHOULD MATURE A BIT BEFORE YOU CON-
SIDER RAISING IT WITH MARCOS. HOWEVER, MAY I ADD SOME
THOUGHTS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

2. DESPITE THE EMBASSY UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU CITE IN
PARA 4 REFTEL, I WOULD URGE YOU WHEN IT BECOMES APPROPRIATE
TO REMIND MARCOS THAT HE TOLD ME IN APRIL THAT HE WOULD LET
AQUINO GO WITHOUT ANY CONFESSION OF GUILT AS LONG AS HE WAS
NOT LIONIZED. WE SHOULD NOT HESITATE TO USE THIS TO
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MAXIMUM ADVANTAGE.

3. I WOULD ALSO BE VERY CAREFUL ABOUT HAVING ANY EMBASSY
OFFICER APPEAR TO BE DEALING WITH AQUINO'S FAMILY ON TERMS
OF RELEASE RIGHT NOW. THIS COULD GET BACK TO MARCOS AND
CAUSE A MISUNDERSTANDING. WE HAVE HAD ENOUGH EVIDENCE
ALREADY THAT AQUINO'S FAMILY AND APPARENTLY EVEN HE HIMSELF

ARE LOOKING FOR A WAY OUT. THIS HAS UNDOUBTEDLY COME TO
THE ATTENTION OF THE GOP. WE MUST NOT APPEAR TO BE
INVOLVED IN THE WHOLE MATTER PREMATURELY AS IT COULD REDUCE
YOUR CHANCES OF SUCCESS WHEN THE TIME COMES TO TALK TO
MARCOS. I ASSUME THAT INFORMATION ON THE AQUINO SITUATION
WILL BECOME AVAILABLE INDIRECTLY. IF WE DO NOT GET WHAT
WE NEED THEN WE COULD SHIFT TO A MORE DIRECT APPROACH. VANCE

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